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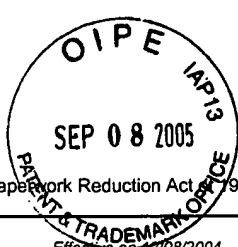
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	:	Examiner: Patrick H. Mackey
ATSUTERU OIKAWA ET AL.)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 3651
Application No.: 10/784,954)	
	:	Confirmation No.: 8444
Filed: February 25, 2004)	
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For: SHEET DISCHARGING APPARATUS,)	September 8, 2005
AND SHEET TREATING APPARATUS	:	
AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS)	
USING THE SHEET DISCHARGING	:	
APPARATUS)	

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Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 or, for Reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
5	- 20 or HP = 0	x 0 = 0				
HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20						
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